



W. O. Hopper Resigns As Supt. of Schools

Will Leave April 1st to Accept a
More Lucrative Position With a
Large Book Company

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mt. Sterling City Schools Friday night Prof. W. O. Hopper tendered his resignation as Superintendent of Schools to take effect April 1st. Prof. Hopper had received a very flattering offer from Ginn & Co., one of the largest publishing houses in the country of school and college text books, and it was imperative that he accept or reject same at once. He laid the matter before the board in detail and after due consideration the body decided not to stand in the way of advancement.

Prof. Hopper has been connected with the local school for the past thirteen years, twelve of which have been in the capacity of Superintendent. When he took charge of the school there were only eight teachers whereas there are now sixteen. During his incumbency the handsome new addition has been built and the High School course increased from three to four years with a much more varied course of study. The school is now a Class A accredited school, meaning that its graduates are admitted to any college in the land without examination with the exception of the Big Four.

Prof. Hopper is a native of Stanford, Ky., a graduate of Centre College, and recognized as one of the leading educators in the state. The rapid improvements made in the local school system have, in no small degree, been made possible by his untiring efforts, and it is with much reluctance that Mt. Sterling gives up so capable an instructor as Superintendent W. O. Hopper.

During his stay here he has made himself exceedingly popular and is known and admired as an upright Christian gentleman of the highest type. For the present his headquarters will be at Columbus, Ohio, and his territory central Ohio, but his family will not join him until later. While regretting very much to see Prof. Hopper leave Mt. Sterling, The Advocate extends to him all good wishes for success in his new line of endeavor and assures him a warm welcome will always await him in Mt. Sterling. His successor has not as yet been chosen, but probably will be announced within the next few days.

We are all born equal, but don't try to convince the mother of a first baby of that fact.

SPRING ALREADY HERE; VERNAL EQUINOX EARLY

Preceded by a cold snap with the temperature two degrees below the freezing point during the early morning hours, Spring—the Season of would be poets and sighing lovers, of bare feet and green apple-ache—was officially ushered in Saturday when Old Sol "crossed the line."

The vernal equinox, as the crossing of the equator by the sun on its northward trip is styled, took place at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The spring crossing was a trifle early this year as it usually occurs on March 21.

June 21, the sun will reach the point "farthest north" on its trip and will pass back across the equator September 21, southward bound. All indications at the time of the season's arrival point to a mild early and open spring.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAY

"Tommy's Wife," the Senior play, will be presented at the Opera House on Thursday, April 8th by the following cast: Tom Carothers, a rising young artist, Ben R. Turner, Jr.; Rose Carothers, his sister, Ruth Darsie; Dick Grannis Carothers Chum, Allen Prewitt, Jr.; Patty Campbell, Margaret Nesbitt and Ruby Lee Dale; Aunt Janet, Patty's chaperone, Bertha Elam; Mrs. De Yorburch Smith, a wealthy society woman, Elizabeth Horton; Sylvia, her daughter, Emily Hazelrigg; Pierre de Bouton, a French fencing master, John Samuels; Edith Bronson, Elizabeth Coleman.

The Seniors feel that they have a play that will compare favorably with any that has been put on in recent years, and they also promise that there will be a seat for every ticket sold. Between acts there will be attractive musical numbers by children of the Grammar School. Prices 35, 50 and 75 cents.

NEW WALL PAPER AND PAINT FIRM

Messrs. McNamara & Ewalt, of Paris, have moved to this city and opened a wall paper and paint shop in the basement of the R. E. Punch & Co. store, formerly occupied by Earl Rolph's barber shop. These men come highly recommended as gentlemen and experts in their line. Any business entrusted to them will receive careful attention and be greatly appreciated.

EXCHANGE.

The ladies of the Country Women's Club will give an Exchange at The Market Place on Saturday, March 27th, and will have everything good to eat.

Probably the supply of compliments will never equal the demand.

THE FIRST "TOUCH" OF SPRING



EIGHTY SECOND ANNIVERSARY

Last Friday March 19th, Mr. Geo. W. Anderson, Sr., was surprised by a few of his old friends, who were invited by his children to spend the day with him and partake of his hospitality, which was surely of the Old Kentucky Style.

Old times were talked over, music vocal and instrumental, appropriate to the occasion rendered, and dinner served by his daughter and daughter-in-law, that would have done honor to the greatest potentates in all the world, which could not fail to satisfy the most intense hunger or slake the direst thirst.

Those present at the dinner were: Mrs. Sarah Hainline, Mrs. Jane Wright, Mrs. Eliza Elam, Mrs. Thomas Hise, Mrs. Harry Hadden, Mrs. J. W. Lockridge, Mrs. H. Clay McKee, Mrs. Grover Anderson and Mrs. Sallie Moore.

Mr. E. R. Hall, Mrs. Rufus Hadden and H. Clay McKee, George W. Anderson Sr., "knows how" to provide; he and his good wife "knows how" to greet you; their daughter and daughter-in-law know how to serve, and there can be no doubt that each and every one who sat at the table laden with everything good and palatable "knew how" to eat.

MRS. SAM SHACKELFORD DIED OF PNEUMONIA

Mrs. Samuel J. Shackelford, State Regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, died at Hot Springs, Ark. She was one of the foremost Kentucky Club Women, wife of a leading state politician and granddaughter of Beriah Magoffin, one of Kentucky's war governors. Mrs. Shackelford apparently contracted her fatal illness nursing her younger daughter, Susanne, who has been ill of influenza. A week ago both left for Hot Springs to recuperate.

FILLY TO GO TO ENGLAND

Maple Hill Farm sold the 2 year old filly Judith J, by Peter Montgomery to Albert H. Merrill to be raced in England. This is the first trotter raised in this county to go to Europe.

LOST KEYS

Lost on Queen st., near railroad, bunch of keys with post office key and several others. Pay liberal reward to finder. Return to Advocate office. (46-2t.)

DR. McVEY HERE FRIDAY

The next lecture in the University lecture series will be delivered by Frank L. McVey, president of the Kentucky University, on Friday afternoon, March 26 at 2:30 o'clock at the Woman's History Club rooms.

Through President McVey's capable and efficient management, our State University is making rapid advancement as an educational institution and he is widely known as a brilliant and eloquent speaker. His subject is to be an educational program and it is hoped that every one in the town and county who is interested in education will hear him.

The splendid and enthusiastic audiences that have greeted the speakers of the University lecture series is very gratifying to the committee promoting the work and they feel safe in assuring the public that the best half of the course is yet to come.

The seating capacity of the room will be taxed for President McVey's lecture and those especially interested will find it advisable to come early.

Prices of admission to those not holding season tickets will be 25c.

MARNE MEMORIAL DRIVE ON

Mr. N. H. Trimbe has been appointed Chairman of the drive in this county for the Marne Memorial and this is the week designated for the drive. Montgomery county's quota is \$100 and it is thought this amount will easily be exceeded. This memorial should be liberally given to by all Americans, and especially by those whom did not have the privilege to offer themselves upon the soil of France. Let's all give to this worthy cause and thereby more closely link ourselves with the great French Republic.

LOCAL SCHOOL HONORED

The local City High School has been honored by the announcement from the University of Virginia, one of the oldest and most conservative universities in the South, stating that it would give one scholarship each year to the local school. This is quite a compliment to the local institution and one that is highly appreciated.

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GIRL DIES OF BURNS IN BOURBON COUNTY.

Miss Josephine English, 20 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John English, of Paris died Saturday night of burns received that afternoon when her clothes caught fire from an open grate. Her screams brought her mother who was in an adjoining room to her rescue. The mother smothered the flames with a quilt. The girl was burned about the face, hands and body. Her hair was nearly burned from her head and most of her clothing consumed.

Mrs. English suffered severe burns about the hands and arms. Dr. Kenney and Dr. Stoekinger were summoned and removed the girl to Mason Hospital where she died.

FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

J. H. Keller celebrated the fifth anniversary of the opening of his store in this city with an elaborate dinner at the Delicious Cafe Monday night. Since opening in this city the Keller Store has enjoyed wonderful popularity and the rapid growth is due in no small degree to the courteous treatment accorded to all. After dinner the guests were entertained with a theatre party at the Tabb Theatre. Those present were the employees of the store, Mrs. Isa Reed, Mrs. Jesse Flora, Miss Mayme Porter, Miss Bush Barnes, Miss Elizabeth Barnes, Walker Bourne, Joe Keller, and representatives of the three local papers, W. H. Wood, G. B. Senff and J. W. Hedden, Jr.

BALLARD TO BE GOVERNOR

Lieutenant Governor Ballard will be acting chief executive the latter part of this week, while Governor Morrow is in St. Louis. Next Thursday, before the Governor leaves, Governor Ballard will entertain him with some 200 other guests at luncheon at the mill.

Governor Morrow and Mrs. Morrow will be guests and the Governor the principal speaker at the annual dinner-dance of the Kentucky Society in St. Louis Friday, March 26. On the same date the Governor will speak at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

YOUNG WOMAN DIES

Mrs. Sallie Conners, wife of Charles E. Conners, died last week at her home in Middletown, Ohio, following a three weeks' illness of spinal meningitis. She is survived by her husband and two children, two sisters, Mrs. Ethel Mayer and Miss Bernice Faulkner, of Middletown, and one brother, Cain Faulkner, of Means, Ky. Mrs. Faulkner was born and raised in this county and has a host of friends and relatives here who will be grieved to learn of her death.

BENEFIT

The Sixth Division of the Country Women's Club will give a benefit picture show matinee and night on Wednesday March 31, presenting the well known star Wallace Reed in his newest and best picture "Hawthorne of the U. S. A." The proceeds will be used to help defray the expenses of the Rest Room. Tickets will go on sale tomorrow.

We are in the coal business, if you are in need of the best. Call No. 2. Mt. Sterling, Com. & Storage Co. S. P. Greenwade, Prop. (46-4t.)

Farmers Union Organization Completed

Enthusiastic Meeting Held at the Courthouse Saturday Afternoon and Officers Elected.

Saturday afternoon at the Courthouse in this city an enthusiastic meeting of farmers was held and an organization known as the Mt. Sterling Farmers Union Local completed. There were about 100 present at the meeting which was presided over by Rev. T. B. Hill. Mr. E. L. Harrison, State President of the Kentucky Farmers Union, was present and addressed the meeting. His remarks were most timely and were well received. The object of the organization, as we are informed, is for the educational advancement of farming conditions generally and matters pertaining to the bettering of conditions of particular interest to the farmers in the marketing of their crops.

The following officers were elected: J. P. Highland, President; L. B. Hadden, Vice President; T. N. Coons, Secretary-Treasurer. Other officers will be elected at a meeting to be held at the Courthouse on next Saturday, March 27th at 1 o'clock. At the meeting 17 new members were initiated, making approximately 60 members altogether.

A series of organization meetings to establish branch locals throughout the county will be held as follows: Stoops, April 6; High Top, April 7; Sideview, April 8; Spencer, April 9; Howards Mill, April 10. All meetings will be held at 7:30 o'clock.

F. M. Jackson, editor of the Kentucky Union Farmer, the official publication, was present Saturday and made quite a number of friends during his brief visit.

The prospects for a splendid organization here are very flattering and it is hoped there will be a large attendance at the meeting next Saturday. Every farmer should avail himself of the opportunity to become a member of the Union and thereby better his own condition.

SENATOR NEWBERRY AND SIXTEEN OTHERS CONVICTED.

Truman H. Newberry, junior U. S. Senator from Michigan, was convicted by a jury of having conspired criminally in 1918 to violate the election laws. He was sentenced by Judge Clarence W. Sessions to two years imprisonment and fined \$10,000, released on bond pending an appeal and at once issued a statement declaring his intention to retain his seat in the upper House unless that body decides otherwise, or the Supreme Court upholds his conviction.

Sharing the fate of the Senator were his brother, John S. Newberry, and fifteen campaign managers, including Frederick Cody, New York, and Paul H. King, Detroit. Both these men received the limit sentence with their chief.

BUILDING

Roger Stephens has purchased a building lot from C. B. Stephens on West High street and has begun the erection of a modern bungalow.

RENTS APARTMENT.

C. M. Edwards has rented rooms over Vanarsdell & Co., and will move there April 1st.

Announcement

Mlle Victoria Chiagneau
of New York, will be at
Goodpaster & Co.'s Store
in Owingsville

Wednesday, March 24th
and will have on display one hundred
Silk and French Voile Gowns

The ladies of this and surrounding towns are cordially invited to be present, and will doubtless take advantage of the opportunity to see this wonderful exhibition and style show and of meeting Mlle Chiagneau, the designer of the gowns.

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